THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

W.P.No.22570 of 2005

Date:24.10.2005

D.Krishna Murthy.

--------PETITIONERS

Zilla Grandhalaya Samstha, Machilipatnam and another

---------RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

The petitioner retired from the service of Zilla Grandhalaya Samstha, Machilipatnam, Krishna District, the 1st respondent herein. His grievance is that though two years have lapsed, retirement benefits were not extended to him, and seeks appropriate directions in this regard.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for School Education.

The grievance of the petitioner is genuine and it hardly needs any emphasis that a person, who retired from service, has to be extended the benefits of his past service. In several cases, the Supreme Court has indicated that pension and other benefits are virtually on par with the right to property. Instances are not lacking, where the employers were directed to pay the interest on delayed payment of the terminal benefits. This Court would certainly have considered the feasibility of passing appropriate orders, but for the fact that an objection as to its maintainability is raised. The learned Government Pleader submits that the Zilla Grandhayala Samstha, Machilipatnam, is notified and recognized as one of the local authorities and in that view of the matter, the petitioner has to

approach the A.P.Administrative Tribunal.

Hence, the writ petition is disposed of, leaving it open to the petitioner to approach the A.P.Administrative Tribunal. There shall be no order as to costs.

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